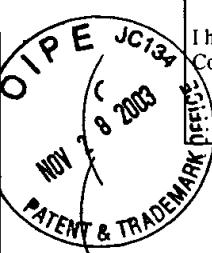


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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 22 August 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 22 November 2003. Claims 1-6, 9, 11-12, 16-27, 22-37 (sic, 16-37), 39 and 45-84 were rejected. Applicants note with appreciation that only claim 1 has been rejected over the art or on any other basis, other than double-patenting. Thus, claims 2-6, 9, 11-12, 16-37, 39 and 45-84 are only rejected for double-patenting. Applicants appreciate the helpful discussion provided at an interview on 9 October 2003. Based on the agreement reached at the interview, the following amendment and discussion are believed to place the application in a position for allowance. Should any issues remain outstanding, a telephone call to the undersigned would be greatly appreciated. It is possible that such issues may be resolved without necessity for further written correspondence.